



## **Doubling the size of the City**

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It is a major axis in the development of the central city with the main objective of increasing the influence of Mons.

The Grands Prés area constitutes an area of 155ha located less than 2km from the Grand'Place of Mons. The development of the Grands'Prés site therefore makes it possible to double the surface area of the historic center of Mons and add a contemporary extension to it.

Over the past twenty years, the Grands'Prés site has experienced exponential development. It now hosts the Congress Center, a hotel, the Lotto Mons-Expo, several housing programs, the largest shopping

center in Wallonia, a science park, etc.

A new square has just been completed and helps to affirm the connection with the historic center.

The connection with the ancient city is achieved, mainly by the cycle-pedestrian connection that constitutes the Santiago Calatrava gateway station.

The Grands'Prés site has a development potential of 1000 to 1500 housing units. Furthermore, within the framework of the European "Feder" Funds, the City of Mons has undertaken the development of a vast park with an area of 1.6 hectares..

